

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-19045-2019 (O&M)

Date of decision : 05.11.2019

Gurlal Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present: Mr. P.S. Sekhon, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Hittan Nehra, Additional Advocate General, Punjab
alongwith ASI Malkiat Singh.

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner prays for bail pending trial in criminal case arising from FIR No.153 dated 27.11.2018 registered under Sections 18/25 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, at Police Station Jhunir, District Mansa.

As per the allegations, petitioner was found in possession of 3 Kg of opium. When the case property was produced before the Illaqa Magistrate, it was found to be 2 Kg 880 grams. Petitioner is in custody since 27.11.2018. He is not involved in any other case under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, although there is a case under the Punjab Excise Act, 1914.

Commercial quantity of opium starts from 2.5 kg.

Without commenting on the merits of the case and keeping in view the aforesaid facts, the petitioner is directed to be released on bail on his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the concerned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

Accordingly, the present petition is allowed.

05.11.2019

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**(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned:- Yes/No

Whether reportable:- Yes/No